Please amend claim 26 as follows:

26.   (Twice Amended) An article comprising a medium that stores instructions that enable a computer to:

provide an electronic indication of an inventory allocation;

receive a request from an on-line transaction service for additional inventory allocation; and

provide additional inventory allocation in response to said request.

Please amend claim 29 as follows:

29.   (Twice Amended) A system comprising:

a server; and

a storage storing software that causes said server to provide an electronic indication of an inventory allocation, receive a request from an on-line transaction service for an additional inventory allocation, and provide an additional inventory allocation.

REMARKS

102 Rejections:

Claims 1-30 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102 (b) as being anticipated by Roden. Claims 1-27 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102 (e) as anticipated by Manchala. Neither Roden nor Manchala teach each and every limitation as claimed. Consequently, the claims so rejected are not anticipated.

Independent claims 1 and 10 call for completing a plurality of on-line sales transactions against an allocation of inventory. Similarly, independent claim 19 calls for a server to complete a plurality of on-line transactions. Neither Roden nor Manchala teach completing on-line sales transactions against an allocation of inventory.

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